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1. GUNAYDIN AUGUST 29 CARRIES AN EXCLUSIVE STORY BASED ON THE RESPONSES OF REPUBLICAN PEOPLES PARTY (RPP) CHAIRMAN BULENT ECEVIT TO QUESTIONS ABOUT THE CYPRUS SITUATION. MAJOR THRUST OF ECEVIT'S COMMENTS IS THAT A SOLUTION SHOULD BE FOUND AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. HE SAID CYPRUS NEGOTIATIONS SHOULD NOT RPT NOT BE VIEWED AS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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"GIVING CONCESSIONS OR NOT GIVING CONCESSIONS. IT IS

NECESSARY THAT A CONCILIATORY FORMULA BE FOUND PROMPTLY.
THE WORST ATTITUDE IS TO DELAY AND POSTPONE THE SOLUTION."

2. ECEVIT SAID IT APPEARED THE DEMIREL GOVERNMENT HAD
ACCEPTED THE THESIS OF FEDERATION WHICH HAD BEEN ADVOCATED
AND ADOPTED BY THE RPP BUT HE CRITICIZED THE GOVERNMENT
FOR NOT BETTER CLARIFYING ITS CYPRUS POLICY. DIFFERENTIATING
BETWEEN OBJECTIVES AND POLICY, HE SAID THE GOVERNMENT
HAD DEFINED ITS OBJECTIVE IN ITS PROGRAM AND HE SAID
"I DON'T THINK WE HAVE ANY DISAGREEMENT ON THE OBJECTIVE."
HE ASSERTED THAT HE AND HIS PARTY HAD NOT INTENTION OF
EXPLOITING THE CYPRUS ISSUE AND THEY WOULD ASSIST THE
GOVERNMENT IN ORDER TO HASTEN A SOLUTION.

3. COMMENT: ECEVIT'S COMMENTS ARE CONSISTENT WITH
BUT SEEM TO GO SLIGHTLY FARTHER THAN THOSE MADE AT HIS
PRESS CONFERENCE AUGUST 4. HIS PROMISES TO ASSIST THE
DEMIREL GOVERNMENT IN SEEKING A SOLUTION AND TO REFRAIN
FROM EXPLOITING THE ISSUE POLITICALLY ARE PARTICULARLY
POSITIVE.
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